

# News of the Day in Moline and East Moline

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## INCREASE SILVIS TEACHERS' WAGE

Substantial Advance in Salaries is  
Allowed by Board to  
Instructors.

Increase in the salaries of the teachers and superintendents of the Silvis school was granted by the Silvis board of education which met last evening. Justin Washburn, superintendent of the school, was given a substantial increase of \$300 a school year. Mr. Washburn will now receive \$1,500 annually.

Raises in the wages of the instructors vary from \$5 to \$15. The following teachers were granted an increase of \$10, making their monthly salaries \$95: Margaret O'Donnell, Ora Miller, Margaret Schlottfeldt, Sadie Adams, Edith Swanson and Irene Schraacker. Vera McBurney and Hazel Henhouse were given \$15 advances in wages, making a monthly pay of \$90. Mildred Peterson was also given a \$15 increase, making her salary \$80 a month. Katherine DeBourcy will receive \$75 a month, instead of \$70. Mille Beck, supervisor of music will receive \$30 a month.

All teachers were reappointed for next year's school term and the reappointments of Miss Emily Kenworthy and Estella Nabbs, of Rock Island, were accepted. Daniel Sweeney, janitor was reappointed and will receive \$120 a month for the year around.

A motion was made and agreed that substituting teachers who take the places of teachers, will not be paid by the board of education. Such salaries must come out of the pockets of the teacher who is absent.

The board decided to lay new walks around the school house.

## REV. C. O. MORELAND IS GIVEN WELCOME IN CHURCH PARLORS

Rev. C. O. Moreland, wife and daughter Catherine, were welcomed by the congregation of the First Swedish Lutheran church and by neighboring congregations at the church parlors Thursday night. Rev. Moreland succeeds Rev. A. P. Bergstrom as pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church.

The program was opened by an organ solo by Miss Branlund. Scripture reading and prayer by Dr. J. A. Hember of New Windsor followed. The welcome on behalf of the church council and congregation was given by Dr. C. E. Lindberg and Prof. A. Hult. Rev. A. P. Bergstrom of Denver, Colo., former pastor, also brought greetings to the new minister. Dr. G. A. Anderson, president of the Augustana college, made the presentation speech, giving to Rev. Moreland a purse with \$200. Martin Anderson followed with a solo. Ladies of the church served refreshments. Mrs. Anna Olson, of Burlington, Iowa, mother of Mrs. Moreland, attended the reception.

## Obituary

**Swan J. Serene.**  
Swan J. Serene, aged 76 years, died early this morning at his home, 902 Eleventh Avenue, Moline, after a year's illness. Mr. Serene was born in Sweden, June 16, 1842, and came to this country in 1868. He was married to Marie Johnson in 1870 at Kewanee. The family had resided in Moline for several years. Besides his widow he is survived by two daughters, Martha of Moline and Matilda E. of Davenport and a son, Carl E. Serene of Moline.

## ENTERTAINER TO SPEAK AT CHURCH

Rollo A. Tallcott, reader, interpreter and mimic of the human voice, bird calls and musical instruments, will lecture at the Second Congregational church, Moline, at 8 o'clock this evening. The public is invited.

Mr. Tallcott ranks among the six greatest readers and interpreters of literature in America. "Hear Mr. Tallcott and you will not need a doctor," is the testimony of the thousands who have heard him. Prof. Tallcott is repeatedly recalled to cities where he has entertained people for the last 10 years.

## DENTIST REMOVES TO ROCK ISLAND

Dr. G. A. Nelson, one of the first dentists in East Moline, will remove his offices to Rock Island next week. He will open his quarters in the Central Trust & Savings bank building. For seven years Dr. Nelson has been in East Moline in the Manufacturers' State bank. He is attending the state convention of dentists in Peoria this week.

## THOMAS POMEROY QUITS DEPARTMENT

Thomas Pomeroy, night patrolman in the East Moline police department Thursday evening turned in his star and gun at the request of Chief T. J. Schafer, Mayor G. F. Johnson said today that he had not yet selected a man to fill the vacancy.

## GREET BATTERY F AT NEW YORK

Moline Plans to Hang Banners and  
Signs at Port and Probably  
Send Delegation.

Moline will welcome home its and Rock Island's unit, Battery F, One Hundred Twenty-third field artillery, Thirty-third division, in New York on its arrival in about ten days. The welcome extended to the boys by the Plow city will be in the form of banners, signs and probably a delegation from their "own home town."

This was decided on at a meeting held last evening in the Moline city hall. A Battery F Welcome Home organization was perfected with Mayor C. P. Skinner chairman and Mrs. C. C. Sloan, president of the Moline Woman's club, vice chairman. Further plans for the welcome will be made at a meeting of this organization Monday night and the arrangements are to have Moline's national guardsmen, who fought at the Argonne and St. Mihiel get "some welcome." Also, it is planned to send a delegation to New York to greet the boys and to accompany them to Camp Grant and there to arrange for a special train to Moline. The sending of a delegation will be decided on later. Other officers and committee chairmen named last evening follow:

Secretary—O. E. Mansur.  
Treasurer—A. T. Foster.  
Chairman, finance committee—F. R. Todd.

Publicity—P. S. McGlynn.  
Transportation—Frank Danner.  
Reception—Frank Walker.  
Invitation—C. P. Skinner.  
Parade—L. R. Gaylord.  
Decorations—Henry Lund.  
Music—C. H. H. H. H.  
Refreshments—Mrs. Fred Leavens.

## PICKPOCKET IS CAUGHT IN ACT

Haywood Gibson, Colored, of Rock  
Island Is Taken at E. M. Car-  
nival Grounds.

Haywood Gibson, colored, aged about twenty years and of Rock Island, was arrested last night by East Moline police on a charge of pickpocketing.

Gibson pushed among the crowd at the Allen & Fields carnival in East Moline and as he brushed past Fred Stahr, a resident of East Moline, he slipped his hand into Stahr's pocket, bringing out a purse containing \$12. Meanwhile another man was witnessing the affair. He notified an officer stationed at the carnival grounds and the colored youth was taken into custody.

Gibson was to be arraigned before Justice of the Peace Dan Maskell at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

## SHORBE FORGETS; HART SAYS BOOZE NOT SOLD IN CAB

T. B. Shorbe said nothing in the Moline police court yesterday afternoon about a taxi driver giving him a pint of whisky as change from a \$5 bill, but instead he pleaded guilty to a charge of intoxication. He paid a fine of \$3 and costs. Shorbe resides at 325 Fourth Avenue, Moline, instead of 2120 Second street.

"No whisky was given Shorbe in change for a \$5 bill by the driver. In fact, no \$5 bill was given to the driver of the taxicab by Shorbe," stated C. W. Hart, manager of the Hart taxicab company, today, whose name was brought into the Moline police court yesterday by Shorbe.

"I have a legitimate taxicab business and the drivers are not even allowed to have liquor around the place," said Hart.

## DEGUYTER PLEADS NOT GUILTY; WILL APPEAL CASE, SAID

Achiel DeGuyter pleaded not guilty in the Moline police court this morning on a charge of assaulting Amil DeKeere, who was found unconscious on the sidewalk near Thirtieth street and Eighteenth Avenue, East Moline.

When DeKeere came to, he limped into the store of his brother some hundred feet away. He was taken to the hospital and there told that DeGuyter had assaulted him. DeGuyter was found guilty and fined \$50 and costs. Through his attorney, P. T. Meersman, who defended him today, it is said he will appeal the case.

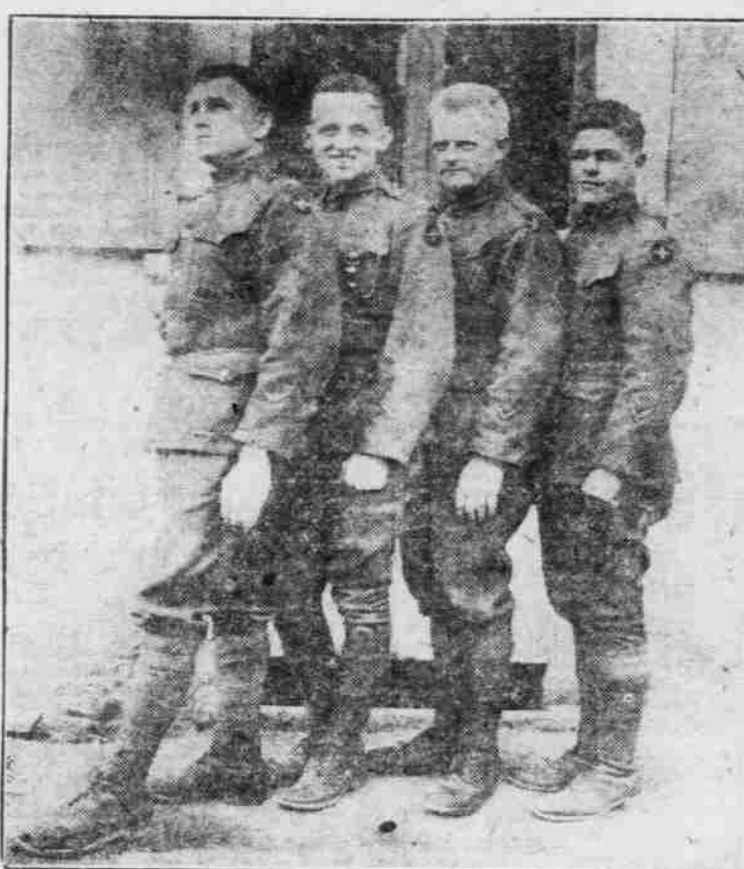
## APPOINT MOLINE GIRL TO SCHOOL

Vernet Johnson, daughter of C. V. Johnson, former Moline commissioner of accounts and finance, and who is now an art supervisor of the schools of Lafayette, Ind., has been appointed a member of the summer school faculty of Eastern Illinois Normal school at Charleston, Ill. Her work in Lafayette has been highly successful.

## TELLS OF HEALTH PROBLEM IN CAMP

Experiences and health conditions in the training camps of the United States were told in a talk by Dr. W. D. Chapman of Silvis at the Baptist church in Silvis last evening. Many people attended and heard the last program to be given under the auspices of the health committee this week. Several returned soldiers also spoke.

## THE ARGONNE COMEDY FOUR.



Beginning at left are Sergeant Kenneth W. Murphy, Galesburg; Sergeant Glenn B. Moore, Moline; Eskall Henning Bloom; Corporal John C. Robb, Rock Island, the quartet known as the "Argonne Comedy Four," not only through-out their division, but in the entire American expeditionary forces.

Corporal Clarence E. Malcolm of Moline sent the above picture to be published in The Argus, together with the story of the quartet that has attained fame in a manner other than fighting, an accomplishment that has not come amiss since the days of fighting have been over.

Writing from Lintgen, Luxembourg, Corporal Malcolm says of the above men:

"Thinking that perhaps it might be of interest for our home folks to know that the boys of this battery have been entertained by good talent within the battery, I enclose herewith a photograph of the Argonne Comedy Four, famous not only throughout the One Hundred field artillery, but in the entire A. E. F."

"The artistic pose at the left of the photo is no other than Sergeant Kenneth W. Murphy of Galesburg, Ill. No, I don't mean that 'Shamrock' would do such a thing as try to pose. He is just pitching the tune for the rest of the gang. No one can seem to understand why his left foot is so far forward. It may be that he sees an enemy plane and is getting ready to make some kind of a quick movement. At any rate

Murphy is good at the comedy stuff. He has an automobile act that's a real scream.

"Next in line is Sergeant Glenn R. Moore of Moline. Many Moline people know Glenn's ability as an actor and entertainer, and then, of course, lots of time spent in the echelon enabled him to brush up a bit on the little things that create laughter for the comedy seeker. Yes, and he's been all around France getting himself lined up on all this late comic dope and song stuff from Paris to Luxembourg.

If Glenn ever gets past New York City and escapes the theatrical managers in that city it will be because he goes through about 4 in the morning.

"Next on the picture is Chief Mechanic Eskall Henning Bloom, even if he does look like a football player who has just washed his head. Where he ever learned to sing nobody knows, but it is rumored that when at the front one does most anything to keep up his courage, so I guess that's where he got his practice. It will sure be a treat for Moline folks to hear him.

"Last but not least is Corporal John C. Robb, who thinks he can talk German, or Luxembourg, even though from Rock Island, Ill. Word has been received that Corporal Robb is to join the New York Opera company upon his arrival in the states, as their first chair bass. As he is noted as a character singer, he will no doubt make his big splash in the states with his own late number, 'Ven Ve Vas in de Army.'"

## AUTO IS STRUCK BY STREET CAR

Jumps Track and Heads for Meat  
Market—Instead Collides With  
Turing Machine.

The Daebellehn meat market, at Sixteenth street and Twenty-fifth Avenue, Moline, was saved from wreckage by a run-away street car which headed that way, by a machine which was parked in front of the market.

The touring car, owned by Clarence Gross of Bridge lane, is almost totally demolished, according to witnesses to the accident. Non one was injured in the collision. The machine was unoccupied.

The street car jumped the tracks at Twenty-fifth Avenue, due, it is said, to an instant switch, and plunged north toward the market. Instead, it collided with the machine. Gross' car was parked on the west side of Sixteenth street and according to Mr. Goss, close to a curb.

The switch at Twenty-fifth Avenue has been in need of repair for sometime, neighbors in the vicinity said today. Two weeks ago another car jumped the track at that corner, but luckily for the Tri-City Railway company, no damage to an extent was incurred.

## CONDEMNS U. S. RAIL OWNERSHIP

L. R. Clausen Tells Deere Employees  
Government Control is a  
Costly Failure.

Members of the Foremen's club of the John Deere Plow works were addressed last evening by L. R. Clausen, acting vice president of Deere & Co., on the subject of government ownership. By way of illustration he analyzed the railroad situation before and since the federal government took hold—a subject with which he is thoroughly familiar. Action of the government in this instance, the speaker pointed out is only a manifestation of the hysteria and unsound reasoning that is creeping into the "solution" of big problems, growing out of the world war.

The railroads today, said Mr. Clausen, are losing money at the rate of \$80,000,000 a month under government ownership, which means that at the end of a year the deficit will be very close to \$750,000,000. This despite the fact that the government not long ago authorized an increase in freight rates amounting to actually 35 percent. The increase was announced as 25 percent, but by re-classifying the commodities, the boost amounted to 35 percent, and an analysis of the figures shows that Deere & Co. is paying 42 percent more than be-

fore the 25 per cent increase became effective. In order to head off this deficit, the speaker predicted the government will declare an additional increase of 15 to 25 per cent; it is inevitable, he said.

Propaganda of uplifters against the railroads caused the federal government to fall for this costly experiment, he said.

Mr. Clausen took the position that if government ownership is a good thing, we should have it. But he condemned this thing of intelligent people being carried away by theoretical eloquence and aligning themselves with alarmists, who peddle poisonous nostrums about the country.

Preceding speech making supper was served. Gust Grant, vice president of the club, presided in the absence of President Frank Young.

## STEALS LIQUOR EXPRESS TRUCK

William Rede Employed by Amer-  
ican of East Moline, Claims  
He's Innocent.

Temptation, it is alleged, caused William Rede to steal a case of liquor from the American Express company in East Moline. Rede is employed as drayman on one of the express company's trucks.

Yesterday afternoon Rede was arrested on complaint of the company on a charge of larceny. When taken to the station, he pleaded not guilty and said that he did not know where any case of liquor was that he had not seen any.

He was to be tried in the court of Dan Maskell, justice of the peace, at 6 o'clock this evening. It is probable that the charge will be changed to one of disorderly conduct.

## ISSUE PERMIT TO BUILD \$10,000 HOME

Permit to erect a nine-room house to cost approximately \$10,000 was let to Carl Larson, contractor, who will build for Ed Sandquist, retired farmer on Thirtieth street, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Avenues, Moline. C. J. Mattison, Moline building inspector, issued the permit yesterday.

The residence is to be of brick. Mr. Larson was also given a permit to build a brick garage for Mr. Sandquist.

## TWO MOLINE BOYS ON CASUALTY LIST

The name of Private Joseph Wesel, who was slightly wounded in action last fall, appears on the casualty list made public today by the war department. Private Wesel returned to this country several weeks ago, according to word received by his sister, Mrs. Alice Hemmingson, 1141 Sixth Avenue, Moline.

The name of Paul Williams also appears in the list. Private Williams was slightly injured.

## In the Lodges

Initiatory degree work was the main feature at the regular session of King Philip tribe, No. 91, I. R. M. held last evening in Redmen hall. The class of candidates was large. A smoker marked the close of the meeting.

Moline ladies' auxiliary of the Eagles met in special session last evening in Eagles' hall and it was decided to hold its future meetings on the second and fourth Thursday evenings, instead of the first and third, as was formerly decided. At last evening's session only routine business was transacted, under the direction of Mrs. J. Geisler, worthy president.

Another roll call was held last evening by members of Lincoln camp No. 91, M. W. A. in the presence of a large audience. After matters of importance were disposed of, a smoker and social hour were enjoyed.

George Lodge, No. 28 Knights of Pythias, is to have a big meeting Monday evening, May 19, at the Red Men hall, when it will celebrate its thirtieth anniversary. The entertainment committee is making every effort to have a big meeting and as a further inducement to get out the members makes the announcement that there are to be smokers and refreshments.

Twenty-seven candidates were voted in and 22 received initiatory degree last evening at the session of Moline court, No. 100, Court of Honor. Plans are underway for a social dance to be held Friday, June 6, at Swedish Olive hall, to which all members and friends are invited.

## ROCK ISLANDERS GUILTY; WHISKY STILL IN CELLS

Frank Lahouse and Frank Copets, both of Rock Island, who were arrested Thursday night in Moline for disturbing the peace and for transporting liquor, paid their fines yesterday afternoon. But the \$200 worth of liquor taken from the wagon driven by Lahouse is still in the police station and Chief Ben DeJaeger says he doesn't know yet what will become of it. Lahouse says he can prove that it belongs to his neighbors.

Lahouse was fined \$10 and costs for driving a wagon while under the influence of liquor. Copets was found guilty of disorderly conduct and paid \$5 and costs.

## CHECK WAITING FOR 3 MOLINE SOLDIERS

Three Moline soldiers have army bonus checks for \$10 each, coming to them, but which have been returned to Washington because the postal department found the addresses insufficient for delivery. Names of the men are:

Carl A. Nelson, no street address.  
Mike S. Kalatka, box 425.  
Gust I. Peterson, 408 Fifth Avenue.

The checks can be obtained by the claimants providing they write to the zone finance officer, war department, Washington, D. C.

## COMMITTEE TO INSPECT ALLEYS

Alderman Fred Holt Will Engineer  
Trip Sunday Morning Through  
Streets of Moline.

Moline's street and alley committee, will be taken by Alderman Fred Holt of the Third ward, on an inspection trip through the city tomorrow morning. Members of the committee are Fred Holt, chairman; George Anderson, E. S. Horsford, Frank Hecht, A. L. Vinson, E. E. Morgan and John Huey.

One of the main features of the trip will be the inspection of alleys. Complaints have come in daily to aldermen about the unclean alleys and streets. More important than the alleys are the streets and the holes in them.

Streets which have been proposed to be repaved will be especially inspected so as to get an idea of the need of the city in the way of street improvements.

Start Tour at 9.  
These sight-seeing trips, when the aldermen were in rule eight and 10 years ago, used to be semi-monthly Sunday morning affairs. The committee will start on its tour of the city at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning from the council hall. The mayor, a street commissioner and civil engineer will be in the party.

## FATHER CLEARY TO CONDUCT SERVICES IN E. M. ON SUNDAY

Father William Cleary, who served seven years as assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church, Rock Island, will take up his work as pastor of the Holy Name parish in East Moline at mass services tomorrow morning.

The congregation had at first tried to retain Father P. J. Barry, rector of the church at Rapids City and who had been in charge of the work in East Moline for the last two months. Father Barry will remain as head of the Rapids City church and the Watertown hospital. Father Cleary comes to East Moline from the parish at Mendota, Ill.

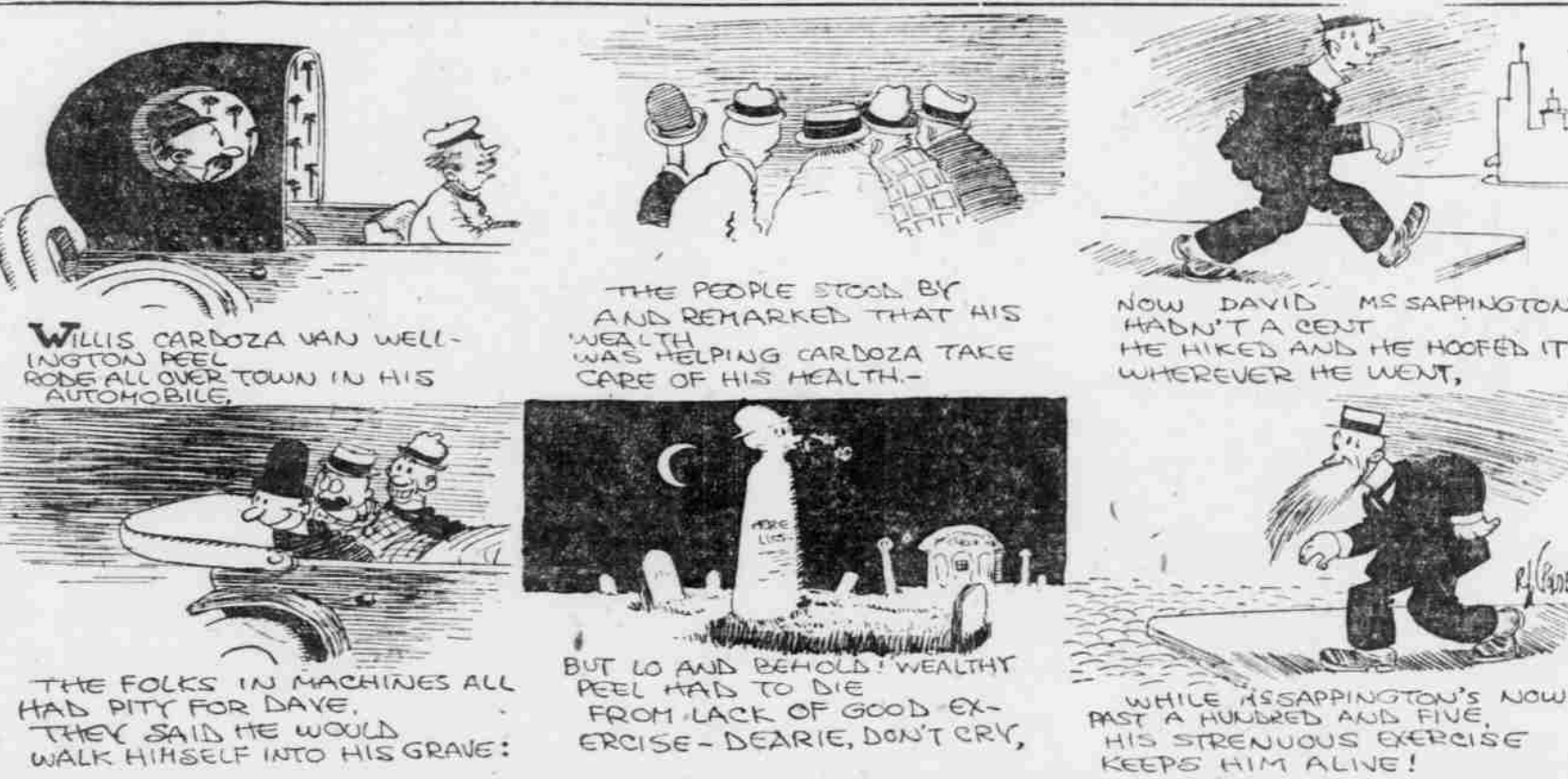
## MOLINE ELKS WILL TAKE ACTIVE PART

Suggestions made at the meeting of the Moline Fourth of July association this week have been endorsed by the Moline Elks. The welcome celebration for returned soldiers, sailors and marines on Independence day is strongly favored by the Elks.

The lodge pledges itself to help the association in making plans for the demonstration and also promises to take part in the parade. A committee was appointed to work with the association.

The Order of the Sons of Temperance was organized in New York in 1842.

## RUBE GOLDBERG'S BOOBS—LIFE'S LITTLE JOSES—NUMBER FORTY-SIX



## "CAP" STUBBS.

DEAR MA—HOW ARE YOU? I AM ALL RIGHT. TIPPY IS ALL RIGHT TOO. SO IS PA!

WE AIN'T HAVIN' MUCH TO EAT COUNTTA PA BEIN' COOK—WHICH HE AIN'T MUCH OF A ONE.

PA SET FIRE TO TH' KITCHEN YESTERDAY BUT WE PUT IT OUT WITH SOME BUCKETS OF WATER!

TH' ROOF LEAKS JEG PA SEZ TH' WATER PAPER JUNT EVER LOOK TH' SAME AGIN HE SED MEBBE A PIPE BUSTED!

WELL DON'T WORRY MA AN HAVE A GOOD TIME YOUR LOVIN' SON—'CAP' P.S. ARE YOU COMIN' HOME SOON?

WON'T MA BE GLAD WHEN SHE GETS THIS LETTER?



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By GOLDBERG

## NO BRAINS



## TIDINGS OF COMFORT AND JOY!

BY EDWINA.

